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Security Council

- 10 a.m. 4976th meeting Security Council Chamber
1. Adoption of the agenda
 2. Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

- 10 a.m. 48th meeting Conference Room 3
1. Organization of work ([A/C.5/58/1/Add.4](#))
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 3. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Burundi ([A/58/802](#) and [A/58/811](#)) . [170]
Introduction and general discussion
- Morning¹–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5
- Informal consultations on agenda items 168 (Financing of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti ([A/58/800](#) and [A/58/809](#))); 170 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Burundi ([A/58/802](#) and [A/58/811](#))); 140 (Financing of the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor ([A/58/795](#) and [A/58/809](#))); 167 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire ([A/58/788](#) and [A/58/806](#))); and 145 (Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East: (b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon ([A/58/637](#), [A/58/659](#) and [A/58/759/Add.6](#)))

¹ Following the adjournment of the 48th meeting of the Fifth Committee.



3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Closed peacekeeping missions ([A/58/778](#) and [A/58/799](#)); Peacekeeping Reserve Fund ([A/58/724](#) and [A/58/732](#)); Overview of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations ([A/58/705](#) and [A/58/759](#)); Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services: Audit policies and procedures for recruiting Department of Peacekeeping Operations staff ([A/58/704](#)); Evaluation of the impact of the recent restructuring of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations ([A/58/746](#)); Mission liquidation activities at the United Nations ([A/56/896](#) and [A/57/622](#)); Administration of peacekeeping trust funds ([A/58/613](#)); the Investigation into the fraudulent diversion of \$4.3 million by a senior staff member of the Reconstruction Pillar of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo ([A/58/592](#) and [A/58/592/Corr.1](#)); consideration of a draft resolution on cross-cutting issues)

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Meeting to elect the President of the fifty-ninth session, Vice-Presidents, Chairs and Bureaux of the Main Committees

Delegations are hereby requested to take note that on Thursday, 10 June 2004, at 10 a.m., the General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting to elect the President of the General Assembly for the fifty-ninth session (agenda item 4) and to elect the Vice-Presidents of that session (agenda item 6); consecutive meetings of the Main Committees will immediately follow for the purpose of electing their Chairpersons for the fifty-ninth session (agenda item 5); *for the first time this year*, and in accordance with paragraph 9, Annex B of resolution [A/RES/58/126](#) of 19 December 2003, the full Bureaux of the Main Committees shall similarly be elected on that day.

Any nominations for the Bureaux of Main Committees that have not yet been communicated to the General Assembly secretariat by the Chairmen of regional groups are requested to be sent as soon as possible to facilitate the scheduled elections in a timely manner. Communications may be delivered *in writing* to room S-2925, or sent by fax (1 (212) 963-4230). Telephone inquiries may be addressed to the focal point, Ms. Joyce Sulahian (tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities

Third session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 3rd meeting Conference Room 4
 3–6 p.m. 4th meeting Conference Room 4

Group of Governmental Experts on Disarmament and Development

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8
 3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2004 regular session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 23rd meeting Conference Room 1
 Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Section of the Secretariat
 (E/C.2/2004/CRP.6-9¹) [5]
 General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental
 Organizations Informal Regional Network (E/C.2/2004/CRP.10¹) [9]
 New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification
 (E/C.2/2004/R.2, E/C.2/2004/R.2/Add.1, E/C.2/2004/R.2/Add.2, E/C.2/2004/R.2/Add.3,
 E/C.2/2004/R.2/Add.5, E/C.2/2004/R.2/Add.8, E/C.2/2004/R.2/Add.9,
 E/C.2/2004/R.2/Add.16, E/C.2/2004/R.2/Add.4¹, E/C.2/2004/R.2/Add.6¹,
 E/C.2/2004/R.2/Add.7¹, E/C.2/2004/R.2/Add.10¹ and E/C.2/2004/R.3) [3 (b)]
 3–6 p.m. 24th meeting Conference Room 1
 Review of methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Council resolution
 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental
 organizations, and Council decision 1995/304 [6]
 (a) Process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations
 (b) Consideration of issues in the agenda of the informal working group
 (c) Other related matters

¹ To be issued.

Economic and Social Council

Informal consultations

Informal consultations on issues before the general segment of the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council, under the Chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Jagdish Koonjul (Mauritius), Vice-President of the Council, will be held *today*, 25 May 2004 from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 25 May 2004

Eastern European Group *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

9–11 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

JUSCANZ Group *(Third Committee Experts – Ad hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities)*

9–9.45 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

African Group *(Solemn meeting in commemoration of the forty-first anniversary of Africa Day)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

African Group *(Third Committee)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

OIC Group *(at the ambassadorial level)*

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Tuesday, 25 May 2004

Room S-226

12.45 p.m. H.E. Mr. Heraldo Muñoz (Chile), Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) (on the work of the Committee)

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 26 May 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10 a.m.	49th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning ¹	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

¹ Following the adjournment of the 49th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

General Assembly

Committee on Contributions

Sixty-fourth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its sixty-fourth session at Headquarters from 7 to 25 June 2004.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237C in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States to the President of the General Assembly at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a complete review of the requests. For further information, please contact the Secretary of the Committee on Contributions (room S-1841; tel. 1 (212) 963-5866 or 963-5791; or fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also consider multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4B. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee on Contributions for further information.

United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative

Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea

Fifth Meeting

The fifth Meeting of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea will be held at Headquarters from 7 to 11 June 2004. The Meeting will be convened on Monday, 7 June 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. The format and annotated provisional agenda of the Meeting are contained in document [A/AC.259/L.5](#).

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Meeting of States Parties

Fourteenth Meeting

The Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea will be held at Headquarters from 14 to 18 June 2004. The Meeting will be convened on Monday, 14 June 2004, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 1. The provisional agenda for the Meeting is contained in document [SPLOS/L.37](#).

With regard to the composition of delegations, States Parties that have not yet done so are requested to submit their credentials to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (room DC2-0450; fax 1 (212) 963-5847).

Economic and Social Council

Informal consultations

Informal consultations on the items to be considered in the general segment of the forthcoming substantive session of the Economic and Social Council will be held under the Chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Jagdish Koonjul (Mauritius), Vice-President of the Council, on Wednesday, 26 May 2004 from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Committee for Programme and Coordination

Forty-fourth session

Organizational session and substantive session

The organizational session of the forty-fourth session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held on Tuesday, 1 June 2004, at 3 p.m. in *Conference Room 3*, and its substantive session from 7 June to 2 July 2004.

The annotated provisional agenda for the session, notes by the secretariat on the status of documentation and reports of the Joint Inspection Unit are contained in documents [E/AC.51/2004/1](#); [E/AC.51/2004/L.1](#) and [E/AC.51/2004/L.3](#) respectively.

Delegations are reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating at the forty-fourth session to the Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Mr. Movses Abelian (room S-2633A; fax 1 (212) 963-0360).

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its annual session will take place on Wednesday, 26 May 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document [E/ICEF/2004/8](#). All delegations are invited to attend.

Annual session for 2004

The annual session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 7 to 11 June 2004 in Conference Room 2.

The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document [E/ICEF/2004/8](#). Documentation for the session is available on the UNICEF Web site (www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_20479.html).

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, 4 June 2004.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

**Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme
and of the United Nations Population Fund***Pre-session informal consultations*

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the annual session 2004, on Wednesday, 26 May 2004, from 4 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Annual session 2004

The annual session 2004 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from 14 to 23 June 2004 at the Palais des Nations in Geneva.

The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document [DP/2004/L.2](#). Delegates, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (1 (212) 906-5634) as early as possible, but no later than Tuesday, 2 June 2004.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77 (on the organization of work of the Second Committee)

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 (*on the organization of work of the Second Committee*) on Wednesday, 26 May 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in a conference room to be announced.

Group of 77 (draft resolution on the commemoration of Copenhagen +10)

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 (*draft resolution on the commemoration of Copenhagen +10*) on Wednesday, 26 May 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 (*at the ambassadorial level*) on Thursday, 27 May 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

UNITAR seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) are jointly organizing a seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. The seminar, to be conducted in English, will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 26 May 2004, in Conference Room 2, and on Thursday, 27 May, in Conference Room 6. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta (room DC1-603C; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “Organizational arrangements for the high-level meeting to review the progress achieved in realizing the commitments set out in the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS” (organized by the Permanent Mission of Botswana)

Informal consultations, organized by H.E. Mr. Alfred M. Dube, Permanent Representative of Botswana, on the draft resolution entitled “Organizational arrangements for the high-level meeting to review the progress achieved in realizing the commitments set out in the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS” will be held on Wednesday, 26 May 2004, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C. All delegations are invited to attend.

Workshop on “NGOs in Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council – Rights and Responsibilities” (organized by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the NGO Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

The workshop on “NGOs in Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council – Rights and Responsibilities”, organized by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the NGO Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will continue on Wednesday, 26 May 2004, from 1.45 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Asian Group of the Whole

There will be a meeting of the Asian Group of the Whole on Wednesday, 26 May 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Informal consultation of the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS)

In preparation for the annual session of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, the United Nations Office for Project Services will hold a second informal consultation on various issues pertaining to the Office, on Thursday, 27 May 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 2. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Meeting of Least Developed Countries

There will be a meeting of Least Developed Countries to consider UNCTAD XI Draft Ministerial Declaration, on Thursday, 27 May 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Round table discussion on “The role of Science and Technology in advancing the Millennium Development Goals”

There will be a round table discussion on “The role of Science and Technology in advancing the Millennium Development Goals”, co-sponsored by the NGO Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and the World Federation of United Nations Associations, on Thursday, 27 May 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

UNITAR/Columbia University Summer Institute on Global Issues Facing the United Nations

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and Columbia University are jointly organizing the Summer Institute on Global Issues Facing the United Nations. The opening meeting will be held on Monday, 7 June 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Members of Permanent Missions and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta (room DC1-603C; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).

Announcements

Postponement of the Mauritius International Meeting

The High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, in his capacity as the Secretary-General of the Mauritius International Meeting, wishes to announce that the Government of Mauritius has requested postponement of the International Meeting and has proposed that the Meeting be held from 10 to 14 January 2005, preceded by the informal consultations on 8 and 9 January 2005. Steps are being initiated to have the matter considered by the General Assembly of the United Nations for a decision regarding the new dates.

Background information on the 2004 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council and on its coordination segment

Background information on the 2004 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council is available on the Council Web site (www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc).

Background information on the coordination segment of the 2004 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council (item 4 (b) of the provisional agenda: Coordinated and integrated United Nations system approach to promote rural development in developing countries, with due consideration to least developed countries, for poverty eradication and sustainable development), is also available at the following address:
www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc/esc04ruraldevreportug.03v.pdf.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Wednesday, 5 May 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Friday, 21 May 2004

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2004 regular session

20th meeting

Consideration of special reports [8]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, the Sudan, Germany, the Russian Federation, China, Romania, France, the United States, Zimbabwe, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Chile, Cameroon and Peru.

Statements were made by the observers for Viet Nam and Italy.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, the representative of Germany moved for a temporary adjournment of debate on the special report of the Transnational Radical Party.

Statements in favour of the motion were made by the representatives of France and the United States. Statements against the motion were made by the representatives of China and the Sudan.

The motion was not carried.

The Committee decided to recommend to the Economic and Social Council the suspension for 3 years of the consultative status of the Transnational Radical Party, by a roll-call vote of 9 to 8, with 2 abstentions.

Explanations of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Germany (speaking also on behalf of France), Romania, the United States and Chile.

After the vote, statements were made by the observers for Viet Nam and Italy.

Organization of work

The Committee decided to revise its schedule of work.

Monday, 24 May 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

88th meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/58/688/Add.8) [124]

The General Assembly took note that Suriname had made the necessary payments to reduce its arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter (A/58/688/Add.8)

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items [8]

(a) *Fourth report of the General Committee (A/58/250/Add.3)*

The Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of the fifty-eighth session an additional item entitled "International Year of Physics, 2005" and to consider this item directly in the plenary meeting.

The Assembly, also on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of the fifty-eighth session an additional sub-item entitled "Appointment of a member of the International Civil Service Commission" as sub-item (j) of agenda item 17 (Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments) and to allocate this item to the Fifth Committee.

(b) *Note by the Secretary-General (A/58/239)*

The Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General, and having waived rule 40 of the rules of procedures, decided to include in the agenda of the fifty-eighth session an additional item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Operation in Burundi" and to allocate this item to the Fifth Committee.

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

- 47th meeting *Financing of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti* [168]
- Financing of the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor* [140]
- The Committee began and resumed its consideration of these agenda items and heard a statement by the Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division who introduced the reports of the Secretary-General ([A/58/800](#) and [A/58/795](#)).
- The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee ([A/58/809](#)).
- Statements were made by the representatives of the Bahamas (on behalf of the CARICOM States), Cuba, Australia, Guatemala, Ghana, Indonesia, Japan and Trinidad and Tobago.
- The Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division replied to questions raised.
- The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.
- The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of these items.
- The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on agenda item 168 would begin on that day, Monday, 24 May, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Denisa Hutanova (Slovakia).
- The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of these questions.
- Organization of work*
- The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

General Assembly**Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities**

Third session

- 1st meeting *Opening of the session* [1]
- The session was opened by the Chairman, H.E. Mr. Luis Gallegos Chiriboga (Ecuador), who made a statement.
- Adoption of the agenda* [2]
- Organization of work* [3]
- The Committee adopted the provisional agenda and proposed organization of work contained in documents [A/AC.265/2004/L.1](#) and [A/AC.265/2004/CRP.1](#) respectively.
- The Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs delivered a message from the Secretary-General.
- Consideration of the draft text contained in the report of the Working Group of the Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities* . . . [5]

On behalf of H.E. Mr. Don Mackay, Chairman of the Working Group on Disability, Mr. Tim McIvor, Permanent Representative of New Zealand, introduced the report of the Working Group.

In accordance with the mandate and the adopted organization of work, the Ad Hoc Committee started formal negotiations on the draft text of the convention as contained in the report of the Working Group.

2nd meeting

Consideration of the draft text contained in the report of the Working Group of the Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities . . . [5]

The Ad Hoc Committee continued its consideration of this item.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2004 regular session

21st meeting

Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council [4 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and heard statements by the representatives of India, Cuba, Colombia and China.

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification . . . [3 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and heard statements by the representatives of France, China, Cuba, Germany, Cameroon, Turkey, Colombia, Peru, Chile and the United States.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of India, Chile, Germany, Cameroon and Colombia.

22nd meeting

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification . . . [3 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and heard statements by the representatives of Germany, Cuba, the United States, France, the Sudan, the Islamic Republic of Iran and China.

The representative of the Health Committee Inc., a non-governmental organization, responded to questions raised by members of the Committee.

Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council [4 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and took note of a number of quadrennial reports.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Sudan, Germany, France, Chile, China, the United States and Cuba.

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from the previous session of the Committee [3 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, the United States, Germany and India.

The representative of the Ambedkar Centre for Justice and Peace, a non-governmental organization, responded to questions raised by members of the Committee.

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Monday, 24 May 2004

General Assembly

Convention on the Rights of the Child

Committee on the Rights of the Child

Thirty-sixth session

United Nations Office at Geneva

955th–956th meetings *Consideration of reports of States parties* [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the initial report of Sao Tome and Principe ([CRC/C/28/Add.21](#)). In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

Seventh session

United Nations Office at Geneva

1st meeting *Opening of the session*

The Chairman, Mr. Arnaldo Ventura (Jamaica), opened the session and made a statement.

The Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development addressed the Commission.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

The Secretary orally corrected document [E/CN.16/2004/1](#). The Commission then adopted its provisional agenda and approved its organization of work, as contained in document [E/CN.16/2004/1](#), as corrected.

Designation of a Rapporteur

The Commission was advised that the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Vijaya Kumar (Sri Lanka) would also serve as Rapporteur for the session.

Substantive theme: Promoting the application of science and technology to meet the development goals contained in the Millennium Declaration [2]

The Commission began its consideration of the substantive theme for the session and heard statements by the following invited guests: Professor John Sulston, Nobel Laureate in Medicine, United Kingdom; H.E. Mr. Walter Lichem, Director-General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Austria; and Mr. Calestous Juma, Coordinator of the Millenium Development Goals Task Force on Science, Technology and Innovation and Professor at Harvard University.

The invited guests also responded to points raised by the delegations of Austria, the Cameroon, the Sudan, South Africa, the United Kingdom and the Philippines.

2nd meeting

Substantive theme: Promoting the application of science and technology to meet the development goals contained in the Millennium Declaration [2]

The Commission began its general discussion of the item and heard introductory statements by the Chairman and by the Chief of the Science and Technology Section of UNCTAD.

Mr. Jean-Marie Leclerc, Director-General of the Centre for Information Technologies of the State of Geneva, addressed the Commission.

Statements were made by the following keynote speakers who had been invited to address the Commission on the topic of strengthening basic and applied research in developing countries and international scientific networking: H.E. Mr. Claudio Moreno, General Coordinator for Trieste Expo 2008 Candidacy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Italy; Ms. Maria Cristina Pedicchio, President, Area Science Park, Trieste, Italy; Mr. Arturo Falaschi, Director General, International Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, Trieste, Italy; Mr. Stanislav Miertus, International Center for Science and High Technology, UNIDO; and Mr. Pierpaolo Ferrante, Project Manager, Trieste Expo 2008 Challenge.

The keynote speakers also responded to questions raised by the delegations of South Africa, Ethiopia, Sierra Leone and Sri Lanka.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. New York, 10 September 1996

Ratification: Serbia and Montenegro (19 May 2004)¹

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Beijing, 3 December 1999

Accession: Marshall Islands (19 May 2004)¹

Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction. Geneva, 3 September 1992

Ratification: Saint Kitts and Nevis (21 May 2004)¹

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Saint Kitts and Nevis (21 May 2004)¹

Ratification: Slovenia (21 May 2004)¹

Ratification: Ukraine (21 May 2004)¹

Approval: European Community (21 May 2004)¹

Accession: Micronesia (21 May 2004)¹

Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Accession: Saint Kitts and Nevis (21 May 2004)¹

Ratification: Slovenia (21 May 2004)¹

Ratification: Ukraine (21 May 2004)¹

Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Accession: Saint Kitts and Nevis (21 May 2004)¹

Ratification: Slovenia (21 May 2004)¹

Ratification: Ukraine (21 May 2004)¹

Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 31 May 2001

Accession: Saint Kitts and Nevis (21 May 2004)¹

Ratification: Slovenia (21 May 2004)¹

Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants. Stockholm, 22 May 2001

Accession: Saint Kitts and Nevis (21 May 2004)¹

Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel. New York, 9 December 1994

Accession: Guyana (21 May 2004)¹

Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Montreal, 29 January 2000

Ratification: Greece (21 May 2004)¹

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Signature: Cyprus (24 May 2004)

Agreement establishing the Asian Coconut Community. Bangkok, 12 December 1968

Accession: Micronesia (24 May 2004)¹

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Asian Highway Network. Bangkok, 18 November 2003

Opening for signature

In accordance with its article 5 (1), the above Agreement shall be open for signature by States which are members of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) at United Nations Headquarters in New York, until 31 December 2005. The signature ceremony in Shanghai was held during the sixtieth session of ESCAP on Monday, 26 April 2004, at the Shanghai International Convention Center.

Certified true copies of the Agreement, of which the Chinese, English and Russian texts are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as soon as possible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Credentials alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General additionally notes that States may become party to the Agreement by definitively signing the Agreement, by signing the Agreement subject to ratification, acceptance or approval followed by ratification, acceptance or approval, or by accession. Since the Agreement provides for two legally distinct types of signature, States wishing to sign the Agreement must confirm that they are signing the Agreement definitively or subject to ratification, acceptance or approval in the instrument of full powers. If full powers are not required, then such confirmation should be communicated by means of a formal note.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Agreement could notify, and provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

OLA/UNITAR Seminar on Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and Registration Registration of Treaties

Wednesday and Thursday, 26 and 27 May 2004 (United Nations Headquarters)

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

The primary objective of the two-day seminar is to provide an overview of the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. In view of the annual treaty event entitled “Focus 2004: Treaties on the Protection of Civilians”, which will be held from 21 to 24 September 2004 during the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly, there will be a particular emphasis on treaties relating to the protection of civilians.

The seminar is intended, in particular, for members of permanent missions and representatives from capitals, and other legal personnel, especially legal counsellors and legal advisers, involved with the preparation of treaty actions to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General, and with the registration of treaties pursuant to Article 102 of the Charter as well as matters of public international law, specifically treaty law.

The seminar will provide participants with practical hands-on experience on the basic aspects of international treaty law and practice, as well as the technical aspects of undertaking treaty actions such as signatures, ratifications, accessions, etc. It will consist of core lectures, case studies and practical exercises to assist the participants in undertaking multilateral treaty actions more effectively.

Invitations to the Permanent Missions along with details relating to time, venue and registration will be forthcoming. For more information, please contact the Treaty Section (Ms. Lynne Moorhouse (tel. 1 (212) 963-1373)).

Other announcements

Secretary-General's Lecture Series

The next lecture in the Secretary-General's Lecture Series will be held *today*, 25 May 2004, from 1.25 to 2.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Chamber. The topic of the lecture will be “Who is Afraid of Human Rights?” and presentations will be made by the following speakers: H.E. Ms. Najat Al-Hajjaji, Chair of the 59th session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights; Professor Ali Mazrui, Binghamton University, SUNY; and Dr. William F. Schulz, Executive Director of Amnesty International USA. The Secretary-General hosts this lecture series on topics at the forefront of the humanities and natural sciences, as part of a continuing effort to create a strengthened framework for dialogue and mutual understanding within the United Nations community. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be “Economic and Social Council High-Level Segment: A Focus on Poverty Eradication (In Observance of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries).” The briefing will be held on Thursday, 27 May from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. For further

information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

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- [S/2004/415](#) Letter dated 19 May 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Mozambique to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

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